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Immediate Collections.

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Please save yourself this annoyance and extra expense.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 23d, 1904.

THE present session of Congress has been a business session. A sum amounting to almost $700,000,000 has been appropriated for carrying on the government, and forwarding those great enterprises to which it is committed. Mr. John Sharp Williams, the minority Democratic House leader from Mississippi, complains that many abstract and purely political questions have been ignored or permitted to rest until next December on the plea of want of time. He would have the trusts prosecuted, the reciprocity treaties ratified, the Filipinos granted more rights, a nearer approach to free trade with Canada, and a general reduction of the tariff. Mr. Hamilton, member from Michigan, "threw down the gauntlet" a few days ago, in which he vindicated the present policy of the Republican party, upheld its present tariff policy not only as a necessity for giving the government its needed revenue, but as the chief factor in the prosperity of the times. He said that if there is any wide-spread dissatisfaction with the tariff the people will have an opportunity to give an expression of their feelings at the polls next November. The Pension bill carrying $137,000,000 has passed Senator Scott of West Virginia, said that if he could have his way he would give a pension of $25 per month to every Union man, rich or poor, who took up arms in the Civil war. There was some speech-making in the House against giving the President control of the Panama canal zone, but when the bill came to a vote it passed unanimously. The only appropriation bills still before Congress are the General Defiency and the Military Academy.

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A good many odds and ends of legislation remain to be looked after before the final adjournment. There is a proposition to buy the 1st and 2d Bull Run battle fields, and erect monuments thereon. The Jamestown, Va., exposition now asks for $4,000,000, one million of which is to be used for a naval parade. The Department of Commerce and Labor has prepared twenty-eight bills for the establishment of fish hatcheries and stations. A government subvention scheme for the promotion of the construction of railroads in the Philippines is before Congress. It proposes to empower the Philippine Commission to arrange the details of the subsidy, the time for re-payment and the manner of securing the government against loss. Secretary Taft is in favor of the plan and wishes it to cover a period of thirty years by the expiration of which time he thinks the roads will be self supporting, and that the natives will have made great progress in commerce and civilization.

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There is a bill before Congress which declares that after June 29th, 1904, when a clerk in the civil service reaches the age of 70 years, his position shall be vacant. There are some two hundred or more clerks of this age employed in Washington, and there are a number of Senators who are over seventy. Congress is considerate in giving the aged clerks three years' notice.

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The question of Mormonism and plural wives is again before the public, owing to the frank confessions and admissions of Agnus Cannon and ex-Congressman Brigham H. Roberts. Three of Mr. Roberts wives have been accounted for and Mr. Cannon has made the astonishing statement that he married two of his six wives at the same hour. This is quite as bad as progressive divorce, which only permits a man to marry several wives in succession. Senator Beveridge is strongly in favor of Senator Smoot retaining his seat. According to a Mr. Cobb, of Boise City, Idaho, the Mormons hold the balance of power in that state. Senator Dubois wishes to know if any post masters in Idaho are living in polygamy. If there are any such they shonld be excluded from the mails.

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The President has had a very busy week of it. Social matters have divided his attention with more sober duties. He attended and enjoyed immensely the play at the Lafayette opera house given for the benefit of the kinsmen of those who lost their lives on the Missouri. Mrs. John C. Fremont was the leading lady. A few days ago the President received a delegation of fifty-six colored men from the Baltimore conference of the African M. E. Church. The Daughters of the American Revolution have transacted a vast amount of business provided for a Washington palace and paid their respects to the President. General Frederick D. Grant and General Joe Wheeler have been in town this week and called to see the President. General Wheeler smiled at the rumor that he contemplates matrimony and said he is too young for that sort of thing.

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The statue of Frederick the Great will arrive in Washington early in September. Congress is willing to appropriate $50,000 for a statue of Thomas Jefferson. There is much local excitement in the city over the proposition to run a street railway east and west across town. Everybody wants it to traverse "some other street." Cardinal Satolli is to arrive in town in June. There is a movement on foot to prevent Sunday evening concerts. The Commissioners are drafting a bill for compulsory education for all children between eight and fourteen years of age. While visiting in this city the Daughters of the American Revolution made pilgrimage to Jamestown, Va. The Foundary M. E. Church of this city has a base ball Sunday school class. There is also a banquet hall in the great new church.

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The Washington Sanitary Housing is the name of a new society which has for its object the acquiring of land and the building of sanitary houses for the poor. The rent is to be low. The intent is to do away with the insanitary houses which now crowd the alleys of the city, and are a menace to both health and morals. Jacob Riis, the biographer of the President, recently called public attention to the deplorable conditions which prevail in Washington.

GEORGETOWN JAIL UNDER FIRE

Representatives of the Public Ledger Tells of State of Affairs There

PRISONERS HAVE FREEDOM

The *Philadelphia Ledger* Saturday published an article setting forth the conditions which prevail in the Sussex County jail in Georgetown. In describing the condition of the jail the *Ledger* says:

The building is insecure and the bricks are crumbling. There are no cells. Through rotting window frames, innocent of a single pane of glass, the rain and snow blow in upon such prisoners as happen to be in the jail. There are several who are prisoners in name only, and it was the actions of these that called forth the rebuke from the bench.

Thrown together in four dirty rooms, twenty-one prisoners, some of them convicted murderers, others serving short terms for petty crimes, some black, some white, spend their days. The prisoners, dressed in rags, cook their own meals from raw food given to them by the sheriff.

Murderers Allowed Freedom

Not only have convicted murderers been allowed the freedom of the jail, been appointed "wardens" and allowed to leave, without guard, the institution to which they were committed for life by the Court, but those less fortunate in securing the leniency of their keepers are forced to live in shambles.

When your correspondent called yesterday the sheriff was away. His deputy Charles T. Purnell, volunteered to show the way through the place.

Outside the gate which leads into the court yard three negroes and a young white man were gathered. One of them had a shoeshining outfit, and sung out, "Shine, boss?" They were all prisoners, the deputy explained.

"Oh, no they won't go away. We know them too well for that," he continued.

One of the negroes, Al Palmer, who is serving six months for a shooting affray at Lewes, was given the keys and opened the gate. Inside was a roomy court surrounded by a 12-foot brick wall. Up one side the wall extends a large crack which looks as though it would soon cause a collapse. In one angle of the wall a barrel rested. Another was nearby. If placed one upon the other a man standing on top could reach the top of the wall with his hands.

Prisoners Cook Their Own Food

To the right on entering is the jail kitchen. In it were four negroes, sitting about on boxes, watching the cooking operations. One, the cook, had his sleeves rolled up. The prisoners in Sussex County jail always cook their own food.

Across the hall from the kitcken other negroes were lolling about on two beds. The bed clothing was ill-smelling, and needed washing. A worn pack of cards showed in what manner much of the prisoners' time is spent.

Razors in Dangerous Hands

John Jones a mulatto youth, who sometime ago made a desperate attempt to escape from the Georgetown "lockup" by setting fire to the building, and almost cremating himself, was stroping a razor. He is the prison barber, and is allowed to keep as many razors as he likes or can afford.

Sick Man Without Attention

Across the dingy hallway in the fourth room a negro lay ill upon a bed. He was emaciated, and appeared to be in agony. In a weak voice he asked the deputy, "Why, in heaven's name don't you send a doctor?

The sick man said his name was Charles Hill, and that he had been ill four weeks. At rare intervals a physician visited him but failed to relieve his suffering, he said.

There are no women prisoners in the jail. It is a rare occasion for a woman to be sentenced in this couny. Therefore, there is but small accommodation for the sex.

No wood was in the prison yard, and several prisoners said they frequently suffered from cold. Fuel and clothes are furnished by the county. The prisoners do not complain about the fare. Potatoes, turnips, soup and bread are the staple foods.

In Sussex County jail there are now twenty-one prisoners. Before the last term of court thirty prisoners were confined there. Then they slept four in a bed. Some preferred the floor.

In the workhouse of New Castle County the daily cost of feeding one prisoner is 7 cents. The Levy Court of Sussex County allows the sheriff 30 cents a day for the food of each prisoner, and asks for no accounting of the money expended in food. Additional money is paid from the county treasury for clothes and fuel for the prisoners.

The monthly average number of prisoners confined in Georgetown jail is about twenty.

At 7 cents per head the yearly cost of feeding twenty prisoners is $511. At 30 cents per head, allowed by the Levy Court, the amount turned over to the sheriff is $2190. Some of the food—vegetables, meat and some grain—is said to be raised on the sheriff's farm. So some of the prisoners actually help to grow the food they consume.

The sheriff and his deputy do not favor any possible movement which would lead to a change of the jail system in Sussex County.

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ROOSEVELT WORKINGMEN'S CLUB OF DELAWARE

The workingmen of Delaware who favor the re-election of Theodore Roosevelt as President of the United States, and who support the principles and candidates of the National Republican party, do hereby associate themselves together under the name, "Roosevelt Workingmen's Club of Delaware," for the sole object of furthering such purposes and principles, without regard to local party dissentions. No dues are required, and any applicant in good faith signing this declaration, who is approved by the executive committee, may become a member, in accordance with the by-laws.

Name .....

Address .....

Republicans in any part of Delaware are earnestly requested to cut out the above heading and paste it at the top of one or more sheets of paper and circulate it as rapidly as possible in their locality for siguitures, and then mail or take the same to Robert L. Webb, Secretary, 101 West Eighth street, Wilmington.

All Republican papers in the State are requested to copy this heading and make a similar request in their columns.

While many of the lists have not yet been returned to the headquarters, enough have come in to indicate that the number of members has passed the fourteen hundred mark, which is an enormous membership for any club. The officers and directors are very enthusiastic, and hope by this plan to secure at least two thousand members within two weeks. They are getting many Democrats, who favor President Roosevelt's re-election and a continuance of present conditions, to join, so they hope those who prepare and circulate these lists will give all such Democrats an opportunity to become members.

ALL HAIL THE CIRCUS

Definite announcement has been made that the Barnum & Bailey Greatest Show on Eearth is to exhibit in Wilmington Saturday May 7th. This will be gratifying news to all who thoroughly enjoy a high-class circus performance. The Barnum & Baily Show, however, is more than a great circus. It is a colossal and comprehensive traveling exposition. Its various departments cover the most interesting and curious things in the zoological world, including four giant giraffes; the extreme accomplishment of spectacular display; the best there is in the world of music; the pick of the world's great arenic stars in the most exhilarating of ring performances; the latest novelties in daring aerial bicycle exploits, and the most exciting features of the modern racing turf and the ancient Roman hippodrome. During the past winter the European agents of the big show secured many unique acts for the current American tour. These acts are of a character to excite comment and compel admiration. In the great Florenz Troupe of acrobats there are twelve world-famous gymnasts who perform seemingly impossible feats of skill and daring; the Imperial Viennese Troupe of aerialists introduces ten men women of international fame who fairly fly through space; the riding numbers serve to introduce horsemen and horsewomen of distinction from all parts of the world, and the company of forty clowns embraces many of the most famous circus comedians of the country and Europe. The most sensational features are given this year for the first time in American. Volo, the Volitant, loops the aerial arch on a bicycle, and Ancillotti, the most daring bicycle rider the world has ever seen, rides his wheel around a colossal loop from which the entire top has been removed. These marvelous acts have created a furore and are the talk of the country. A reproduction of the splendid Durbar at Delhi opens the show and a series of hotly contested hippodrome races brings it to a fitting climax. The local circus engagement will be inaugurated with the most gorgeous street spectacle ever attempted. A feature of the grand display is a team of forty horses, drawing a gorgeous and massively carved twenty-ton band wagon. Ask your local agent about cheap rates to the big show.

WORLD'S FAIR

The first opportunity afforded residents of the eastern section of the country to see, at the lowest possible rates, the great World's Fair at St. Louis, which opens April 30, will be the coach excursion of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, May 10. A special train of standard day coaches will be run on the following schedule, and excursion tickets, good going only on special train, will be sold from the stations named at rates quoted:

	Special Train Leaves.		Rate.
New York—			
West 23d Street.....	8.25	A.M.	$20.00
Desbrosses Street.....	8.30	"	20.00
Cortlandt Street.....	8.30	"	20.00
Brooklyn.....	8.15	"	20.00
Jersey City.....	8.43	"	20.00
Newark	8.55	"	19.95
Elizabeth	9.04	"	19.85
New Brunswick.....	9.28	"	19.50
Trenton 10.02		"	19.00
Bristol 10.18		"	18.95
Philadelphia—			
North Philadelphia Broadstreet (Luncheon) Ar. 10.48		"	18.50
Broad Street.....Lv. 11.00		"	
Broad Street.....Lv. 11.30		"	18.50
West Philadelphia..11.33		"	18.50
Frazer 12.10		P.M.	18.50
Downingtown 12.25		"	18.45
Coatesville 12.36		"	18.35
Pomeroy 12.45		"	18.25
Lancaster 1.25		"	17.75
Conewago 2.05		"	17.00
Harrisburg 3.06		"	17.00
Lewistown Junction... 4.32		"	15.75
Huntingdon..... 5.25		"	15.00
Tyrone..... 5.57		"	14.90
Altoona (Dinner)..Ar. 6.25		"	
Altoona .....Lv. 7.00		"	14.60
Cresson 7.35		"	14.30
Johnston..... 8.12		"	13.80
Blairsville Intersection..... 8.50		"	13.35
Greensburg..... 9.28		"	12.90
Pittsburg... Eastern time .....10.45 / Central time 9.45		"	
Arrive Indianapolis (Breakfast)..... ..... 8.30		A.M.	
Arrive Terre Haute (Luncheon)..... 11.00		"	
Arrive St. Louis (Union Station) 4.00		P.M.	

Tickets will also be sold from other stations on the Pennsylvania Railroad, east of Pittsburg and south of and including Elmira, Olean and Mayville, and from stations on the New York and Long Branch Railroad, Cumberland Valley Railroad, and New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad, good going in coaches on regular trains to point of connection with special train. The following rates will apply from the stations named:—

Asbury Park, N. J.	$20.00
Atlantic City, N. J.	19.65
Baltimore, Md.	17.00
Bedford, Pa.	15.00
Bellefonte, Pa.	15.55
Blairsville, Pa.	13.40
Bradford, Pa.	15.50
Bridgeton, N. J.	19.25
Buclington, N. J.	18.90
Cape May, N. J.	21.10
Chester, Pa.	18.50
Columbia, Pa.	17.60
Corry, Pa.	14.10
Cumberland, Md.	15.00
Delmar, Del.	18.50
Dover, Del.	18.50
Driftwood, Pa.	15.70
Easton, Md.	18.50
Elmira, N. Y.	17.00
Franklin City, Va.	18.50
Lock Haven, Pa.	15.95
Lykens, Pa.	17.00
Mayville, N. Y.	14.50
Mt. Holly, N. J.	18.90
Ocean City, N. J.	19.80
Oil City, Pa.	13.75
Olean, N. Y.	15.50
Phillipsburg, N. J.	19.00
Pottsville, Pa.	18.50
Punxsutawney, Pa.	14.75
Reading, Pa.	18.50
Salem, N. J.	19.25
Shenandoah, Pa.	18.50
Sunbury, Pa.	17.00
Warren, Pa.	14.50
Washington, D. C.	17.00
Wilkesbarre, Pa.	17.00
Williamsport, Pa.	17.00
Wilmington, Del.	18.50
York, Pa.	17.00

Proportionate rates from other points.

Returning, tickets will be good in coaches on regular trains leaving St. Louis (Union Station) on day of validation and not later than May 19.

For rates of fare from other stations and leaving time of connecting trains consult nearest Ticket Agent.

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THE SESSION OF CONGRESS

"The fall of the gavel Thursday closes the briefest "long" session of Congress in half a century. An April adjournment is unprecedented. It makes an unequaled record of attention, industry and efficiency. All the necessary work was finished. No essential act was left undone. The close leaves no regrets.

"The contest between the two houses over the bill for the government of the Panama zone was settled at the last moment. It ended in the substantial acceptance of the House bill, which provides for temporary administration by the president. Outside of the supply bills the two chief features of the session were Cuban reciprocity and the Panama treaty. No measure intended for passage has failed. Even the bill for a commission to study the revival of the merchant marine got through.

"Speaker Cannon comes out of the session with increased reputation. He was alert, decided, good-humored and expeditious. Under his firm and vigorous guidance the House has recovered some of its lost prestige. It has held the center of the stage this year rather more than the Senate. This was partly accidental and partly due to a stronger determination to assert its prerogatives. For some years the House has mostly yielded to the Senate. This year the Senate has been compelled in some notable cases to yield to the House. Robust leadership will make itself felt.

"The session preceding a presidential election sometimes makes or mars a party. It is always an arena for political maneuvering. This year it is probably a fair stand-off. It is not apparent that either party out-generaled the other or changed the situation from what it was at the beginning. The Democrats lost ground in the Panama contest and gained nothing in the campaign on the postal scandal. The former was a fight against fate, and the latter had no lasting interest after the Administration punished the grafters. Mr. John Sharpe Williams won repute as the Democratic leader and made a more coherent and organized party in the House, but he couldn't change facts or make issues. All the Republicans had to do was to hold their ground, and this they did successfully."—*Philadelphia Press.*

TRUSTEES OF POOR.

Trustees of the Poor had their annual meeting Wednesday and had as their guests members of the Levy Court. Prior to the meeting an inspection of the county hospital was made and its excellent condition was commented on. Among the visitors were the Rev. R. A. Elwood and Captain Frank Wood of Wilmington and Alfred G. Cox, of Middletown.

Dr. Columbus Henry was re-elected president of the trustees of the poor and Joseph C. Parker, of Middletown, was re-elected secretary, while the officers for the county hospital were continued without opposition as follows: superintendent, B. Frank Blackburn; matron, Mrs. B. F. Blackburn; assisfant matron, Miss Clara Blackburn; head nurse of male department, D. B. Ferris; watchman, G. W. Groves; fireman, Peter Waters; resident physician, Dr. H. W. Briggs; coroner's physician, Dr. J. W. Bastian; attorney, James W. Lattomus; engineer, George Poole; farmer, Clarence Batten. The appointment of Miss Minnie O'Hanlon as head nurse for the female department was left over until the next meeting. John Blaisdell, the engineer, succeeds George Poole who resigned. The administration of Superintendent Blackburn was generally commended by the trustees.

Superintendent Blackburn stated that there are 41 white women, 11 colored women, 106 white men, 25 colored men, 4 white children and 2 colored children, making a total of 189 inmates. There were twelve deaths during the month. The payroll for the month was $467.334 for the county institution and $124 for the emergency hospital.

At the afternoon session there were numerous speeches by those present in which the trustees were praised for the excellent condition of the buildings and the improvements made.

MRS. POWELL TELLS OF MURDER

The mystery of the murder of Estelle Albin, whose multilated body was found on Feburary 9th last hidden in the home of Mrs. Alfred M. Powell, near Bowers' Beach, was partly cleared up Monday afternoon by the statement of Attorney General Ward that Mrs. Powell had confessed that she was the murderess. This confession was laid before the grand jury, and after a few minutes deliberations, it returned an indictment charging Mrs. Powell with murder. It is reported that the confession was made within three days after the burial of Miss Albin.

The trial of Mrs. Powell will begin next Monday, and it is expected that her attorneys wil enter plea of not guilty. Refusing to admit that their client ever made a confession, they will fight to prevent its admission in evidence, and demand that the prosecution offer proof of the alleged murder.

SASSAFRAS

Mr. and Mrs. Custus C. Price visited Sassafras on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phemis Jones visited Middletown on Saturday.

Mrs. Frederick Robinson and daughter visited Sassafras on Wednesday.

Mr. R. Griffith Clift and sons, of Massey, visited Sassafras on Tuesday.

Messrs. John R. H. Price and E. Marsh, of Warwick, visited Sassafras Monday.

Mrs. Harry Simmons was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Shout in Middleneck on Tuesday.

Mrs. Sheppard Morris left Monday morning on an extended visit to her parents near Baltimore.

Mr. E. Bradley Dudley, of near Millington, was the guest of Alexander T. Laws on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fillingham were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phemies Jones on Friday near town.

Mr. A. Wilson Cochran visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cochran, of Middletown Tuesday.

Mrs. Laura Townsend was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sheppard and Miss May Allee on Saturday.

Mrs. Therza Shallcross left on Saturday for an extended visit to her son and other relatives in Philadelphia.

Messrs. E. Thomas Massey and Samuel Price, of Massey, were the guests of Mr. Frederick Gressart on Tuesday.

Mrs. Robert S. Griffith and Mrs. John F. Ernest were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Phemies Jones on Thursday.

Mr. George Johnston, of near Black Station, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnston Wednesday.

Mrs. John F. Ernest and Mrs. Robert S. Griffith were entertained on Wednesday by Mr. and Mrs. Jason Calhoun, of near Sassafras.

Rev. Frank Clift who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. E. W. Staats for the past fortnight left on Thursday last for his new charge.

Mrs. I. Gunkel and Mr. Andrew Raynolds, of Warwick, were entertained by her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Ernest, on Sunday.

We have just learned that Rev. Mr. Creed our formor pastor of the M. E. Church died Wednesday at the hospital from blood poisoning, which came from a little scratch on his hand.

Our Pastor Rev. Mr. Cain of the M. P. Rehoboth Church, is expected at the parsonage on Thursday. Rev. W. D. Litsinger left Wednesday for his new home in Baltimore. He takes every one's best wishes for his future success.

CECILTON

Mrs. John Anderson is on the sick list.

Walter Coale spent Saturday with F. E. Hoover.

Miss Anna Alderson spent Sunday with Miss Mary Dawson.

Miss Robinson, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Anna Jamison.

Miss Hylie Boulden spent a few days with her cousin, Miss Belle Price.

Artemus Messick left this week for Baltimore where he has accepted a position.

Thomas Schwaiger, of Philadelphia, was entertained by Thomas Boulden last week.

A. Woodall Jones, of Philadelphia, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. T. P. Jones.

Miss May Dushane, of Black Station, is being entertained by her friend, Mrs. Dollie Clayton.

James Budd, of Philadelphia, was the guest of friends in and near town a few days this week.

Miss Myrtle Templeman spent Saturday and Sunday last with Miss Alyce Dreka, of Sassafras.

Mr. and Mrs. Urie Ginn, of Warwick, were entertained on Sunday by John Stephens and wife.

Miss Sallie Pierce had as her guests on Saturday and Sunday Misses Dessie Boulden and Mamie Pierce.

Miss Mary Price, of Philadelphia, is spending sometime with her parents, Hyland Price and wife.

The ladies of Cecilton have issued invations to a Leap Year dance in Mechanics' Hall, Tuesday evening, May 3d.

BODKIN WITNESS RETURN

Dover, April 28th.—The Delaware witnesses who made the transcontinental trip to testify against Mrs. Cordelia Botkin began to arrive home last evening. The first to reach Dover was Miss Josephine Bateman, the Dover teacher, who narrowly escaped being Mrs. Botkin's third victim by eating some of the poisoned candy on the night Mrs. Dunning and Mrs. Dean died.

The other witnesses reached Dover today. They have been gone since March 12th, and when Mrs. Botkin was convicted and immediately rearrested, charged with the Dean murder, the witnesses feared that they would not get home all summer, but escaped by having the California courts hear the Dean case especially before a magistrate.

San Francisco, Cal., April 28th.—Police Judge Conlan today held Mrs. Cordelia Botkin to answer to Superior Court for the murder of Mrs. Joshua D. Deane by means of poisoned candy, mailed from this city to Dover, Del. A request by her attorney that she be addmitted to bail was refused.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S POSITION

McClure's Magazine for May prints a most interesting excerpt from a letter written by President Roosevelt to Ray Stannard Baker, commenting on his discussion of "Great Labor Conflicts," in that magazine, in which the President defines his attitude toward capital and labor as follows:

"I believe in corporations. I believe in trade unions. Both have come to stay and are necessities in our present industrial system. But where in either one or the other there develops corruption or mere brutal indifference to the rights of others, and short-sighted refusal to look beyond the moment's gain, then the offender, whether union or corporation, must be fought, and if the public sentiment is calloused to the iniquity of either, by just so much the whole public is damaged."

ST. GEORGES

Miss Blanche Jones was in Wilmington on Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Dewitt was a Wilmington visitor on Monday.

Miss Ida Wright is paying a visit to friends in Wilmington.

Miss Violet Gray had Miss Bertha Reynolds as a guest on Sunday.

Miss Mabel Smith has returned from a visit to Wilmington relatives.

C. M. Riley was an over Sunday visitor with William Cox and family near town.

Miss Blanche Jones on Sunday entertained Miss Bessie Davidson, of near town.

Misses Hattie Batten and Harriett Carrow were guests of Miss Mattie Murry on Sunday.

Mrs. Louisa Stevenson, of Ohio, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Thomas McCoy, near town.

Edward Sparks, of Middletown, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. John Moore, on Tuesday.

Mrs. A. J. Davidson attended the Sunday School Convention held in Laurel, last week.

Walter Moore, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Moore.

Mrs. John Lester is entertaining her friend, Mrs. Laura Padley and son, of Delaware City.

A meeting of the Temperance Alliance No. 3, was held in the M. E. Church on Monday evening.

Frances Stuckert who has been ill with typhoid fever for the past three weeks, is at this writing we are pleased to state, slowly improving.

H. C. Dolson, wife and daughter, were Sunday visitors at Jester's Corner with T. J. Lewis and wife.

W. R. Pennington, of Goshen, N. J., was the guest of William K. Price and family over Sunday.

Mrs. T. J. Lewis, of Jester's Corner, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. James White, on Tuesday.

Presiding Elder Rev. A. S. Mowbray, delivered a fine discourse in the M. E. Church on Sunday morning which was enjoyed by all present.

Miss Edna de Silver, of Delaware City, spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. A. J. Davidson, near town.

Miss Mary Roberts, of Middletown, is spending sometime with her parents, William Roberts and wife.

Mrs. W. T. Hoopes who has been a resident here for several years, moved to Wilmington on Saturday.

The First Quarterly Conference of this conference year of the M. E. Church was held on Monday morning.

Miss Effie White, of Deakyneville, is spending a week's vacation with her parents, James White and wife.

Mrs. Clarence Pool and son, of McDonough, spent Saturday with her parents, A. N. Sutton and wife.

National Lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F., is preparing for a strawberry festival to be held the earliest date possible.

Miss Annie Henry, of Wilmington, spent part of last week with her grandparents, Joseph Heisel and wife.

Rev. Wilmer Gray, of Willow Grove, Pa., has been spending a week's vacation with his parents, M. J. Gray and wife.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church will meet at the home of Mrs. H. Smith on Thursday afternoon, May 5th.

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in their room in the C. C. Club house on Wednesday evening, May 4th.

Clarence Craig and family, of Newport, and Howard Cann, of Wilmington, were entertained by Everett Craig and wife on Sunday.

Miss Alida Price who has been confined to her home on account of a sprained ankle is able to resume her duties as teacher of music.

Mrs. Walter Smith and daughter have returned to their home in Wilmington after a pleasant visit to her parents, James Heisel and wife.

About twenty-five members of National Lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F., attended the Anniversary exercises of Eden Lodge in Wilmington on Tuesday evening.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church was led on Sunday evening by Miss Josephine Crossland. On next Sunday evening Miss Laura Batten will have charge.

The Womans' Exchange is open every Saturday afternoon and evening, with a full line of good things for sale. Orders may be left with Mrs. J. R. Milligan or Miss Florence Jamison.

Mrs. T. H. Hodson and son, of Sassafras, J. Hesten Atwell and wife, of Townsend, and Earle Webb, of Wilmington, have been guests of H. M. Smith and family during the past week.

At the recent town election Dr. J. W. DeWitt was made President. New members, Messrs. H. C. Clark, John Gam, and H. C. Buckson; those held over, Theodore Jones and A. N. Sutton.

The following delegates have been appointed to attend the W. C. T. U. Convention which will be held at Hockessin on Thursday, May 6th: Mrs. J. R. Milligan, Mrs. John Crompton, Mrs. William K. Price and Mrs. F. P. Vanheikle.

Rev. Wilmer L. Gray, of Willow Grove, Pa., gave a most beautiful and instructive talk to the members of the Bible Class on Monday evening. The meeting next week will be on Tuesday evening and will be held at the home of Miss Olivia Paynter.

The members of National Lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F., will attend services in a body at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning next. The pastor Dr. J. R. Milligan, will preach a special sermon to the order and fine music will be rendered by the choir.

A temperance meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Monday evening, May 2d, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Addresses will be delivered by Mrs. Seberry and Mrs. Donnel, also a musical and literary programme will be rendered. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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NOTICE!

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R. W. Cochran,	S. B. Foard,
Alex. Maxwell,	Z. T. Bradley,
W. B. Biggs,	Geo. W. Price,
S. M. Lockwood,	Alex. Metten,
Theo. Whitlock,	Cyrus Tatman,
W. S. Letherbury,	W. A. Comegys,
J. L. Parsons,	C. R. Clayton,
J. P. McIntyre,	Julian Cochran,
G. L. Cochran,	T. H. Armstrong,
Geo. W. Peterson,	Thomas H. Smith,
Wm. Ahern.	

WALTER W. AKIN.
Middletown, Del., April 14th, 1904.

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Eggs, per doz	14@17
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Thursday, 19th,	12 noon	Friday, 20th, 11 am
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REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
New Castle County, Del., March 14th, 1904.
Upon the application of Joshua Clayton, Jr., Executor of Lavinia E. Clayton, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Executor aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown Transcript, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months

(SEAL) Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned on the fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1904, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same duly attested to the said Executor on or before the fourteenth day of March 1905, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

JOSHUA CLAYTON, Jr.,
Executor.

Address, Middletown, Delaware.
Address Martin B. Burris, Esq., Attorney-at-law, Middletown, Delaware.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER OF WILLS OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., Mch. 15, 1904
Upon the application of Emma Foard Administrix of Eli B. Foard, late of Pencuder Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register of Wills that the Administratrix aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public place of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in THE MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

(SEAL) Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register of Wills aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

FRED E. BACH, Register of Wills.

NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the 15th day of March, A. D 1905, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Administratrix, on or before the 15th day of March, 1905, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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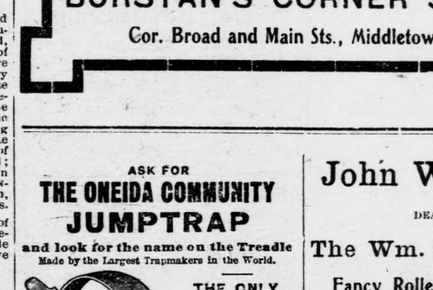

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South Bouu3—12.49, 8.31, 9.21 and 11.40 a. m.; 3.56, 4.54 and 7 5:p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.05 a.m., 3.50 p.m., 5.45 p. m. and 9 p. m.
Going South—8.10 a.m., 4.35 p. m., and 9 p.m
For Odessa—9.30 a. m., 11.40 a. m., 5.05 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.40 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APR. 30, 1904.

Local News.

Removed to the middle room in the Opera House. JONES & BRADLEY.

Sweet Potato plants, May 10th, ready to set. E. J. STEELE, Middletown, Del.

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John Fowler, a brother of Robert Fowler of this town, died at Farnhurst Friday of small pox, after an illness of a few days, aged about 26 years.

Over $100 in Premiums to be given out next Monday in checks. Don't forget the day. MRS. G. W. PETERSON.

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EGGS FOR HATCHING.—Pure bred S. C. White Leghorns, White Wyandotte and Barred Rocks, 15 for $100; 100 for $5.00. T. R. BRADSHAW, Evergreen Farm, Odessa, Del.

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Cocoanuts at MONTGOMERY'S this week.

Until further notice the Middletown Public Library will be open on Tuesday and Saturday afternoons from 3.30 to 5, and Saturday evenings, from 7 to 8.30.

Deviled Crabs at JONES & BRADLEY.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending April 21st: Mrs. Sarah Backes, Miss Sarrah Clifton, Miss Cover Lock, Miss Annie Lane, (col'd) C. B. Henry, Mr. A. King, W. J. Taylor.

Ladies' and Children's Hats. All styles. Do not purchase your spring hats until you have inspected my stock of more than 100 of the latest designs, just from the city. Prices to suit all classes. Come and inspect. E. F. INGRAM.

The ladies of the Home Missionary Society of Bethesda M. E. Church are meeting with much success with the rummage sale in the room recently vacated by Morton Bros., in the Opera House building. The room will be open all of to-day, and a "bake sale" will be held. The public is cordially invited to attended.

As 1904 is a leap-year all the holidays for the year take a jump of one day. Election day will occur as late as possible in November, falling on the eight of the month. Memorial Day and the Fourth of July both fall on Monday. Labor Day will be on September 5th. Thanksgiving Day will be on November 24th, the earliest possible for its observance. Christmas will fall on Sunday.

The Y. W. C. T. U. has completed arrangements to present the "District School at Blueberry Corners," in the Middletown Opera House on the evening of May 17th, and the best local talent will assist them to make this most laughable burlesque a success. The costumes will be similar to those worn a century ago, and the 28 young (?) people who are to take part in the evening's program are rehearsing nightly.

The Town Council of Smyrna in regular session Friday evening voted unanimously to accept the committee report granting the right of way to the Peninsula Railway Company to construct, maintain and operate a single track trolley line the whole length of Main street and the whole length of Commerce street in the town of Smyrna. No work is to be done until the Middletown extension is completed as far as the Kent county line.

Dr. C. H. Green is contracting with the farmers to grow sugar corn for a new corn cannery which is to be built during the coming month. He has already closed contracts for 460 acres, and the factory will positively be erected and operated this season. Hon. W. B. Baker of Aberdeen, Md., who is at the head of the new enterprise was in town this week looking for a suitable location for factory, but at this time it has not been definitely settled, but in all probability a site along the railroad will be selected. Dr. Green wishes us to state that the seed corn for the first planting can be had at anytime after May 2d, by calling at his residence. Growing sugar corn is something new to our farmers, but many who reside near Odessa claim the crop to be decidedly more profitable than field corn, and no doubt after growing the crop our farmers will realize what their brother farmers on the East side say is true.

PERSONALITIES

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Emerson were in Philadelphia Friday.

Dr. Lowber, of Wilmington, was in town on Wednesday.

Miss Florie Owens is the guest of relatives in Perryville, Md.

Mr. Walter Green, of Wilmington, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Harry C. DeValinger is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Hon. W. B. Baker, of Aberdeen, Md., was in town on Monday.

Miss Mary L. Price is the guest of Mrs. George Lockwood near Warwick.

Mr. Albert K. Hopkins, of Cambridge, Md., is the guest of friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis were entertained on Sunday by relatives in Odessa.

Mrs. W. Reese Parker has returned from a short visit with relatives in Dover.

Mrs. John R. Pope, of near town, was the guest of relatives in Elkton on Monday.

Miss Mary Beaston is visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas Rothwell, in Willow Grove, Pa.

Mrs. W. P. Cullen is spending a week with Philadelphia and Wilmington relatives.

Miss Carrie Downey, of New Castle, was the guest of Miss Mary Maxwell over Sunday.

Mr. Isaac Hallam, of Wilmington, was the guest of Mr. Leon DeValinger over Sunday.

Mrs. Emerson Polk, of Pocomoke City, Md., is being entertained by Miss Helen Naudain.

Miss Blanche Cochran has returned to Boston, after spending sometime at her home here.

Mr. William Lingo, of Philadelphia, was the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Catharine Merritt.

Mr. Harry Green, of Wilmington, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Green, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Dickerson were guests of relatives in Wilmington Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Nellie Brockson, of near Cecilton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Goldsborough several days last week.

Miss Helen Naudain has returned from New York, where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Oscar Goodhand.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Shapley and little daughter Helen, of Smyrna, were guests of her parents on Monday.

Mrs. William Moore, of Elkton, spent a few days last week with her brother, John R. Pope, near Middletown.

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Lockwood has been spending this week with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Griffith, of Sassafras, Md.

Mr. Carl Harrington, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his wife, who is the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kern, of Wilmington, spent several days during the past week with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. William Brockson.

Mr. George Allee has accepted a position as stenographer with the Mulford Drug Co., of Philadelphia, and left for that place on Wednesday.

Mrs. G. W. W. Naudain has returned from a lengthy visit in New York, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Goodhand and little daughter, of that city.

CHURCH NOTES

Rev. C. T. Wyatt, pastor, will preach in Bethesda M. E. Church to-morrow, both morning and evening.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is: "Answered Prayers." Acts 4:23-31. Leader, Mrs. H. C. DeValinger.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for tomorrow evening is: "Answered Prayers." Acts 4:23-31. Leader, Miss Bernice Metten.

WILL OF THE LATE STEPHEN BOYER

The will of the late Stephen Boyer has been filed for record with the Register of Wills for Kent County, Md. He devises to Mrs. Elizabeth I. Vaughan the "Robert Griffith" farm, situated near Sassafras, also one half undivided interest in the farm in First district near Galena, adjoining land of R. C. Johnson. Also undivided one-half interest in a lot of wood land lying in "Maryland and Delaware forest." And at her death, should she be without heirs, it is left to the children of his brother, Edward Boyer and his sisters, Mrs. T. C. Ginniss and Mrs. Wm. Cacy. To his nieces and nephews of his wife, Agnes Boyer, he divises the farm in Kent upon which he formerly resided, also undivided one-half interest in the "Fox Hole" wharf property. He also directs that suitable tomb stones be erected at his place of burial. The residue of the estate is left to his niece Elizabeth I. Vaughan. Lewin W. Wickes, Esq., is made executor of the will which bears date of July 31st, 1903.

TOWNSEND

Mr. D. B. Jones was in Wilmington Saturday.

Miss Ethewlyn Maloney spent Monday in Wilmington.

Mr. John Townsend, Sr., was in Wilmington Monday.

Mr. Winfield Lattomus visited Philadelphia this week.

Mr. Daniel Richardson and family spent Sunday with friends in Smyrna.

Irving Hart is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. William Naylor, near Odessa.

Rev. Theodore Beauchamp, of Still Pond, Md., was in town Thursday.

Mrs. J. A. Hart spent Wednesday and Thursday in Wilmington this week.

Mrs. W. A. Scott and daughter, Mrs. Lee Maloney visited Middletown Wednesday.

Miss Mary Garton, of Millington, visited her aunt, Mrs. Bell Garton, this week.

Rev. Mr. Jones and wife, of Betterton, Md., visited their son, Rev. John Jones, this week.

John Townsend, Jr., one of the pitchers of the Washington base ball team, spent Sunday at home.

Rev. J. H. Beauchamp and little daughter Merrill spent Thursday with Mrs. Harmon Reynolds.

Ada Daniels, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Daniels.

Mrs. Lizzie Voshell, of Smyrna, who has been spending the winter in Townsend, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. D. B. Maloney and daughter, Miss Ethelwyn, attended the Lily-Maxwell wedding in Newark Wednesday.

Mrs. Harman Reynolds was the guest of her parents, Rev. John Beauchamp and wife, in Harrington Monday.

Miss Estella VanDyke and brother Ralph visited their brother, Mr. Horace VanDyke, near Smyrna Thursday.

Misses Cassie and Hannah Wright, of Philadelphia, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, this week.

Mr. Horace VanDyke who recently moved to the Walls farm near Smyrna, met with a painful accident while hauling straw, his wagon striking a post and throwing him to the ground dislocating his shoulder.

John Stant, bridgetender of Fennimore's Bridge, died at the residence of Robert Wilson in Townsend last Sunday afternoon. He was about fifty years of age and had lived in this locality all his life. He was a member of the Jr. O. U. A. M., Townsend Council, No. 11. Funeral services were held in the M. E. Church Tuesday afternoon; interment in Townsend Cemetery.

OBITUARY

JAMES C. WILSON

After an illness of four weeks, James C. Wilson one of the best known and highly respected citizens of Townsend, died at his home on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, from a complication of diseases, aged 66 years. Mr. Wilson was for many years in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as track foreman, and resided in Middletown for 25 years, but removed to Townsend several years ago, where he continued in the seivice of the P. R. R. until he was retired on account of advanced age. Mr. Wilson was born and reared in Sussex County, and served in the civil War

For many years he took great interest in G. A. R. work, and was a member of Major John Jones Post of this town. Deceased had been a member of Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 12, I. O. O. F. of this town for over 30 years, and was its second oldest member.

Mr. Wilson was a man with a large circle of friends, and in his death they have lost a true freind.

Deceased leaves a wife and one daughter, Mrs. David I. Allen of this town, and two sons, S. S. Wilson of Westminster, Md., and W. P. Wilson of Townsend to mourn his death. Funeral services will be held at his late home this afternoon at two o'clock, and the following members of Good Samaratin Lodge will act as pall bearers: F. J. Pennington, Alex. Metten, W. D. King, J. M. Foster, S. E. Lewis and W. E. Dixon. The lodge will attend the funeral in body. Enterment will be made in Forest Cemetary.

PETIT JURORS FOR MAY TERM.

Prothonotary Frank L. Speakman and Clerk of the Peace Winfield S. Quigley drew the petit jury to serve during the May term of the Court of General Sessions and Superior Court Monday afternoon. The jurors follow:

Wilmington, William E. Bruce, James T. Price, George W. Pierson, E. T. Dilworth, William E. Tindall, Lawrence J. Brown, Jacob A. Melvin and Francis Hoffecker.

Appoquinimink hundred, Levi T. Maloney and Roland Reynolds.

Blackbird, Thomas M. Short and Harry S. Woodkeeper.

Brandywine, Frank Miller and William Trump.

Christiana, William B. Johnson, Joseph A. Rank and William Moore.

Mill Creek, Eugene Williams and Hiram E. Pierson.

New Castle, John Knotts, Charles S. King and George W. Appleby.

Pencader, William Murry and C. N. Price.

Red Lion, Matthew Bigger and Joseph Reeves.

St. Georges, Isaac M. Green and Edward Pleasanton.

White Clay Creek, Frank Jamison and James H. Chambers

OFF TO CALIFORNIA

The following delegates to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Los Angles, California, started from Philadelphia at noon Wednesday: Rev. A. S. Mowbray, Rev. C. S. Baker, Rev. Adam Stengle, Rev. W. F. Corkran, Chief Justice C. B. Lore, R. M. Cooper, H. P. Cannon and J. A. Ellegood. They are accompanied by Mrs. Cockran, Mrs. Baker, Miss Mary Cannon of Dover, Miss Ellegood of Salisbury, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Field of Wilmington, and George W. Collins of St. Jones Neck, who is going to see his son Wilson, who is ill in the west.

FARMERS' ATTENTION

We are now prepared to fill all orders for High Grade Fertilizers for Spring Planting from our warehouse, Middletown, Del.

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A PROSPEROUS BANK

New Castle County National Bank Completed a Half Century

When the clock struck three on Monday afternoon, April 25th, 1904, the New Castle County National Bank, of Odessa, completed a half century of its existence as a State and National Bank.

On the morning of April 26th, 1854, it commenced the business of Banking as a State Bank, in what was then called "Cantwell's Bridge" (now Odessa.) The preliminaries to its organization were made during the preceding year. The State Charter under which it commenced business was granted March 2d, 1853. Subscriptions to its stock were commenced in that year. The Capital Stock was then $50,000, this was increased in the year 1860 to $55,000 and in 1865 it was further increased to $75,000 and changed by the Stockholders to a National Bank.

Of the original subscribers to the stock, which numbered eighty-seven, only seven are living to-day. The first Board of Directors was elected December 17th, 1853, about four months before the Bank commenced business. This Board was as follows: Charles Tatman, Cyrus Polk, Charles Beasten, Henry Davis, Garrett Cox, David J. Cummins, George W. Karsner, John Appleton, Richard Semans. Second Board was elected May, 1854, and was the same as the first. Third Board was elected May, 1855, and Horatio N. Willits and John Ginn were placed on the Board instead of Garrett Cox and Richard Semans. None of these Directors are living to-day.

Several changes were made in the Directors during the period under consideration. Samuel Pennington was elected in 1856 and served until his death. Mr. Sereck F. Shallcross was for many years a director, and he resigned the position in 1890 in favor of his son, Mr. James F. Shallcress. The late William Polk was a Director for a long period, succeeding Charles T. Polk, who succeeded Cryus Polk.

Mr. John C. Corbit was elected a director in 1874 was Secretary of the Board till 1882 and was then made Vice President.

Mr. Columbus Watkins was elected in 1876, was Secretary of the Board 1882 and Vice President 1888.

Mr. Daniel W. Corbit was elected in 1888 and has been Secretary of the Board ever since.

Mr. M. N. Willits elected 1894 succeeding his father.

The late James M. Vandegrift, Jonathan K. Williams and William Taylor served as directors.

Other changes were also made and the Board to-day consists of the following, viz: John C. Corbit, President; Columbus Watkins, Vice President; Daniel W. Corbit, Secretary; James T. Shallcross, Merritt N. Willits, Clarence E. Pool, Alexander P. Corbit, Leonard V. Aspril, Jr., Joseph L. Gibson.

The first President of the Bank was the late Charles Tatman and he was continued in that office until his death which occurred when he was in the ninety-sixth year of his age. For several years, in the latter part of his life, he was relieved of all the active duties of the office and the task of performing these duties devolved on the Vice President, Mr. John C. Corbit, who, upon the death of Mr. Tatman in 1887 was elected President and he has continued in that office ever since.

The first Cashier of the institution was the late Dr. B. F. Chatham, who continued in the office for nearly thirteen years. In January, 1867, he resigned to accept the position of Assistant Cashier of the Philadelphia National Bank and was soon after made Cashier of that Bank.

In January, 1867, Joseph L. Gibson was elected Cashier of the Bank. He had been Teller in the Citizen's National Bank of Middletown for three years previous. He has been Cashier for over thirty-seven years, and is now the oldest Bank Cashier (officially) in the State.

The firtt Teller of the Bank was the late John W. Zelefro, who on account of poor health resigned the position. He was succeeded by the late John Janvier, Jr., who resigned in 1866 to accept the office of Cashier of the National Bank, of Oxford, Pa. Mr. Eugene L. Ellison was elected in 1866 and resigned in 1867 to accept a position in an Insurance Company in Philadelphia and he is now the Vice President of the Insurance Company of North America, in that city. Mr. Ellison was succeeded by Mr. Joseph G. Brown, who has held the office ever since, or for nearly thirty-seven years. He is also Secretary and Treasurer of the Cantwell Mutual Insurance Company, which offices he has filled since 1870.

The Bank commenced paying dividends in November, 1855, and the first dividend was at the rate of 6 per cent, per annum, and dividends have been paid semi-annually ever since, which in the aggregate amount to two hundred and seventy-seven thousand three hundred dollars ($277,300).

Of this amount, the sum of $48,175 was paid to the stockholders while it was a State Bank and $229,125 since it became a National Bank. In addition to dividends paid, the Bank has accumulated a Surplus Fund of $25,000 and of Undivided Profits, $8,208.

At present the Capital is $75,000.00.
Surplus and undivided profits less expenses $32,208.00.

In entering upon the second half-century of its career the Bank continues ready to receive, and solicits the accounts of farmers, merchants, manufacturers and others, and will at all times give the same careful attention to all business entrusted to it as has characterized its operations of the past fifty years. G.

ODESSA, DEL., April 27th, 1904.

Card of Thanks

To J. G. BRAGDON, Esq.,
Secretary Knights of the Maccabees of the World.

SIR:—I wish to thank you and the grand order you represent, for the prompt attention and payment of the Policy of Insurance held by my son Francis D. Suydam. Wishing the above order the greatest success, I am

Sincerely yours,
MRS. EMMA J. SUYDAM.

WARWICK

Mr. T. C. Lynch spent Friday in Wilmington, Del.

Rev. W. D. Litsinger and family left for Baltimore on Wednesday.

Messrs. E. A. Jones and W. J. Lofland, Jr., spent Friday in Wilmington.

Albert Day, of Baltimore, is sojourning with his grandmother, Mrs. R. M. Day.

Mrs. George Moore, of Chesspeake City, is the guest of Mrs. John Holden.

Miss Crowley, of near town, spent Sunday with the Misses Marsh on Elk street.

The wet weather has backened the farmer considerably with his corn planting.

Mrs. Bouchelle entertained her sister, Mrs. Plummer, of near Chesspeake City, last Sunday.

Washington Camp, No. 8, P. O. S. of A., meets every Wednesday evening in Merritts hall.

Miss Daisy D. Day spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. George Goldsborough, in Middle Neck.

Messrs. J. H. M. Garner accompanied by W. J. Lofland, Jr., were visitors in Delaware City last Monday.

The Misses Will and Josephine Aiken, of Delaware City, were the guests of Mrs. Amos Wilson on Sunday last.

The Misses Maggie and Mamie Spear, of Bohemia Manor, were the guests of Mrs. S. D. Wilson on Sunday.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society held their social at the home of Mr. Lewis P. King last Saturday evening.

Mrs. Dennis Goldsborough and daughter, of near Townsend, were the guests of Mrs. W. H. Merritt on Sunday last.

Junior Christian Endeavor prayer meeting to-morrow at 2 o clock. Preaching by the Rev. Mr. Kane at 10.30 A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett, of Wilmington, were the guests of Mr. W. H. Bennett and family on the Levels Sunday.

E. A. Jones has opened a grocery store on Main street. His stock is fresh and bright, and he solicits a share of the patronage.

Senior Christian Endeavor prayer meetinfi to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock. Topic: "Answered prayers." Acts 4: 23-31. R. B. Merritt, Jr., leader.

We are glad to report Miss Minnie Smith very much improved at this writing she being unable to walk for a few days suffering with a severe attack of rheumatism.

ODESSA

Mrs. J. C. Corbit is a Philadelphia visitor.

Miss Ethel Ward is visiting relatives in Chester, Pa.

Miss M. Elizabeth Harper spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Miss Mary Townsend was a Wilmington visitor last Sunday.

Miss Emma B. Eccles left last week for a two week's visit in Wilmington.

Rev. J. A. Arters was a welcome visitor at the M. E. Parsonage this week.

Miss May Orrell, of Brenford, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Gardner Keen.

Miss Edith Walker, of Wooddale, visited friends in town part of last week.

Miss C. Anna Morgan is on a two week's visit with relatives in Chester, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lloyd entertained Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lloyd, of Kenton, last Sunday.

Mrs. J. C. Corbit, Jr., and son have returned to their home in Norristown, Pa., after spending sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Gibson.

Mrs. J. M. Arters returned Saturday from Dillsburg, Pa., where she has been spending sometime with her parents. Her many friends are glad to see her much improved in health.

Mrs. E. S. Stevens entertained Mrs. R. B. Stephenson, of Pennsgrove, N. J., Miss Lura Thompson, of Philadelphia, and M. Edmund Stevens, of Scranton, Pa., during the past week.

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It is the giving of absolute satisfaction to our patrons; it means that we want you to be satisfied with anything and everything you buy in this Store; that we stand ready at all times to cheerfully refund your money or exchange goods if you are not satisfied. Everything that thought and capital can accomplish is added for the comfort and convenience of our patrons and we want you to always expect to find goods of equal value lower in price in this store.

Domestics - - -

One case, 100 pieces, or 5000 yards, genuine Lancaster gingham, **6c** per yard, all new patterns, in brown, blue, green and red checks, at less than wholesale cost to day.

5000 yards of Hill Bleached Muslin, yard wide, one of the best muslins made, at less than wholesale cost to-day, **8½c** per yard.

10,000 yards of Prints, only the best makes, no better goods, all fast colors, in green, blue, black and white and gray, **5c** per yard.

500 yards, Cambric Muslin, yard wide, only best makes **12½c** per yard.

1000 yards Dress Ginghams, in neat plaids and stripes, regular price 12½c and 15c., in remnants, **10c** per yard.

Regular made Sheets, **50c** bleached muslin, size 81x90, made from Dalle's Mill's muslin, bought long before the advance in muslin and fully worth **70c**.

Special in Muslin Underwear - - -

All purchased before the advance in muslin.

75c, worth $1.00, Gowns of Cambric, square yoke, with hemstitching and embroidery.

$1.00, worth $1.50, Gowns of Cambric, fancy V yoke, trimmed with beading and val. insertion and edging.

50c, worth 75c, gowns of fine muslin, full size, square yoke with hemstitching and embroidery.

$2.00, worth $2.50, Petticoats of fine Lonsdale Cambric, elaborately trimmed, flounce of two rows of wide bowknot lace insertion, and Point de Paris lace.

$1.25, worth $1.50, Petticoats of Cambric, deep embroidery flounce, in pretty designs.

25c worth 38c, Drawers of good soft Cambric, full cut, well made, with deep ruffles.

50c, worth 75c, half dozen styles of Cambric and Muslin Drawers, with lace and embroidery trimmings.

Corset Covers, all styles, and in some cases just plain muslin **25c** to **$1.00**.

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Pudding pans 25 cents.

Wash basins 35 cents.

Lipped sauce pans 30 and 50 cents each.

Teaspoons 30 cents for half a dozen.

Tablespoons 60 cents for half a dozen.

Enamel Ware

Wash basins, dippers, one and two quart milk pans, 2-quart pudding pans, sauce pans, at 10 cents each.

2-quart coffee pot, 2-quart tea pot, 5-quart sauce pans, 4-quart covered buckets 25 cents each.

8-quart seamless Berlin sauce pot 59 cents each.

7-quart tea kettle 50 cents each.

We have just received 7 lbs. assorted glass ware which we will sell at 5 and 10 cents a piece.

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This Season

We have a lot of special styles in Clothing for Young Men; short Coats, very broad shoulders, and peg bottom trousers. No extra cost for styles. Suits $10 to $20. Top Coats, very short and very boxy. $10, $12 and $15; silk lined at $15 and $20. Plenty of regular and conservative styles. Headquarters for Black Suits, $10 to $20 with Saek Coats; $10 to $25 with Cutaway or Prince Alberts. More Boys' and Children's Clothing than ever; latest styles and most moderate prices. Our Tailoring Department will be pleased to serve you, promptly, carefully and for Reasonable Prices.

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Session of 1904-5 begins September 13, 1904

Entrance examinations will be held at any of the following named places, on June 17th and 18th, 1904, if notice is sent to the President: Newark, Middletown, Smyrna, Dover, Milford, Georgetewn, Lewes, Seaford, Laurel.

Examinations for entrance will be held in the College on September 13th and 14th 1904.

Candidates should present themslves for examination in June, as they will then have opportunity to make up at the examination at the College in September any deficiencies that may be discovered.

Tuition free to all students from Delaware.

For any information about the College write to the President. Catalogues sent upon application.

GEO. A. HARTER President.

GEOFFRY'S INHERITANCE

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK]

Why was I deceived so cruelly? she burst out in feeble passion. Oh, what have I said before her, and what have I done?—and she wrung her hands distractedly.

Mother, said Tom very quietly and firmly, you have done nothing and said nothing! I suppose you're thinking of what you told me about Erndalo. Well, Erndale is shut up; and perhaps I'd better tell you that since Lady Erndale lost her son no one has ever lived there. Shall I tell you the story shortly, mother or are you too tired to listen?

Tell me, dear! the faint voice answered; and Tom drew his mother closer and laid her head on his breast.

The child, a boy of about five, disappeared in a curious way, and, as it is not known whether he is alive or dead, the title and estates remain unclaimed. Did you never hear my father say that some one tried to prove a claim to both long before the boy disappeared? The very lawyers his letter tells me to go to acted for this claimant many years ago. But he could not prove his case, and so the matter dropped. Mother dearest, you are ill again! This excitement has been too much for you.

For the sick woman lay back faint and white; and, hastily calling the nurse, Tom held a restorative to her trembling lips and wiped the damp brow.

For many days the frail invalid hung between life and death, and Tom never left her, not even to go up to the London lawyers; whilst Betty coaxed her father to stay on, afraid to go, and afraid to enter the sick room uncalled.

At length the visit to Messrs. Cadican & Cooper could be no longer deferred; and one fine August morning found Tom Archer sitting in their private office with the detective Mr. Maxwell had sent to accompany him by his side. He thought the keen lawyers looked anything but pleased on seeing he had not come alone; but they said nothing, and, after glancing at the papers before them, proceeded at once to business.

We have letters here, said the senior partner, a man with cunning eyes and sharp prominent features—letters from your father, whose real name, I suppose you are aware, was Thomas Hurst Seaton—asking us to see you and forward in any way you may desire your claim as his son to the Erndale titles and estates. I suppose you know we acted in this matter for your father a good many years ago? the lawyer proceeded hastily, seeing Tom about to speak. And I may as well tell you that we did so at our own risk and on our own responsibility. But, in the event of any future action on our part, the risk and responsibility must be entirely your own, unless you are prepared with further proofs that would absolutely secure us from loss.

Tom raised his head proudly, and answered straightforwardly and frankly—

My father's real name, he said, was entirely unknown to me, and he never once in my life mentioned the name of Erndale in my hearing. To my mother also he was equally reticent. His death was quite sudden, or this might have been different; and the letter he left addressed in his desk contains his first and last reference to the title and estates.

Have you that letter with you, Mr. Seaton? inquired the lawyer suavely. It may perhaps throw some additional light on your father's claim.

I have a copy, said Tom coolly, laying the paper on the table. But I do not know how it can in any way throw light on his claim to Erndale. The case failed before—have you any reason to think it may not fail again?

That is the very question we were about to put to you, Mr. Seaton, the lawyer replied. Have you nothing but this letter to lay before us?

Messrs. Cadican & Cooper always spoke in the plural. It sounded more imposing and both the partners were usually present.

You have, I am told, all the papers connected with this case in your own hands, was Tom's quiet reply; and doubtless before his death my father sent you any other papers he wished you to retain. If those throw no further light on the subject, I need not take up your time any longer. But perhaps you can tell me why my father could not make good his claim?

There were doubts thrown out by the counsel for the Erndale's as to the way in which your father became possessed of the late Viscount's letters, and he was unfortunately unable to clear them up. The ship went down with all hands, so that his—the Viscount's—evidence in the matter was lost to us. The Viscount certainly did drop his title in the Colonies—that, his father Lord Erndale knew—and we sent out to procure the certificates of his marriage and of your father's birth. But fate was against us. The little temporary church in which your father averred the certificates had been copied was burned to the ground sometime before, and thus the letters of Lord Erndale became the only proofs of your father's identity. The defence set up by the other side was that there was no proof as to how those letters had got into his hands. That is all we can tell you, Mr. Seaton, unless we can trace the whereabouts of a certain David Callagan, who had removed from the address your father gave us, and who seems to have been the only person in his confidence.

Tom rose, not unwillingly.

I will advertise for this Callagan, he said; but that, I suppose, you did long ago? Perhaps meantime the missing heir may turn up—who knows?

The lawyers both glanced up keenly. Something in Tom's speech seemed to rouse a new train of thought in their minds; but they merely bowed him out with marked deference and the assurance of their readiness to go on with the case whenever he thought there was any chance of success.

But, when they were alone, a curious change came over the faces of both partners.

Where is the certificate Thomas Seaton sent us of his son's birth? asked the senior one. That young fellow looks older by some years, and he is not like his father. Meantime we'll advertise for Callagan, and I'll step down and look over the *Times* for the year of Lady Erndale's return to England. We may cut the grass under Maxwell's feet yet.

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Tom took the 3.30 train back to Erndale, and arrived at the Dower House just in time for dinner. He found that Betty had crept back into his mother's heart once more, and had just left her sleeping peacefully in the nurse's care.

I don't like those lawyers, he told Sir Jasper as soon as the servants had left the room. And, so far as I can see, there is no chance of the claim to Erndale ever being proved. You see, it rests only on the letters my father had of the late Earl's, and the defense threw out grave doubts as to the manner in which they had come into his hands. I've got however to advertise for a man named Callagan, who seems to have possessed my father's confidence; and, if he cannot be found, nothing more can be done. After all, the young man said, glancing at Betty in her white gown, with her shining hair piled high and her eyes full of sympathy and interest—after all, I am alone in the world, save only for my mother. Why should I try to gain a position for which I am not in the least fitted?

My dear boy, the Baronet answered kindly, you're as like the Erndales as two peas are like one another, and I'll answer for it that you'll fill the position as an Erndale should. Besides, you will not always be what you call alone in the world. You'll marry some day or other; and here's a health to your bride!

As Sir Jasper drained his glass to do justice to the toast, Tom's eyes, by some magnetic attraction, sought Betty's lovely face, and under his gaze it turned scarlet. A wild thought, a wilder hope, sprang suddenly into his heart, and for the first time he wished for rank as well as money. And, when, a few moments later, he held open the door for Betty to pass and noted a new sweet confusion in her manner, a great light came into his eyes, and the strength of a great resolution filled his heart with courage.

I will win Erndale and lay it at her feet! he said; and the words had all the solemnity of an oath.

CHAPTER V

In a miserable attic in the slums that lie near the London Docks a man more than fifty years of age was sitting on a box which served both for chair and table. A straw mattress by no means clean and a blanket stained by tobacco and bear all the "furniture" the room contained, and the window was obscured by smoke and dust. If any lodger in this undesirable abode had sufficient decency left to wash his hands and face, a pump in the back yard was at his disposal, for neither soap nor towel was ever thought of in the place, and the man, who had evidently just come home from a voyage, looked as if he did not care about such luxuries. He held in his hand a rumpled and dirty newspaper, and his eyes were fixed on the advertisement inserted not many months before by Messrs. Cadican & Cooper of Lincoln's Inn, for tidings of one David Callagan.

They're the lawyer-chaps he told me to go to if ever that case turned up again; but I guess I'd make more money in another quarter if I tried. But it's a risky job. I wish now I'd never taken his money or done his dirty work; but I was too hard up to be squeamish then, and I did it. I was struck in a heap when I heard he was married; and when he registered the new-born child as Thomas Seaton, I wur a witness, and wondered if it'd soften his heart to the kid I had with me. But it didn't. He hated the little un like p'sod, and wasn't over civil to me, seein' as how I'd got to like the youngster, and he me, in spite of odds. So I see, Just hand me the cash, mate, and I won't trouble you no more. And whiles he wur a-fetchin' of it, I begged of his missus to be kind to the kid. She seemed a soft-hearted kind of woman, and the child took to her at once. But I'd my doubts about Thomas, and the last time I saw him he said the kid had died of fever, and he'd sent the missus and her little un to Cape Town. I see naught; but I made tracks there, and never rested till I found 'em out. But, if it wur Tom's kid I seed, and not the kid I brought with me the night I witnessed the register, I'll be hanged! But I see nothin', only lookin' on as a stranger might, and wonders what Tom's little game might be. Tom, in course, never knowed as how I'd seen the kid in Cape Town; so, arter writin' one bit of a letter he jest dropped me and I him. And now, arter all these years, I'm wanted, and a pretty figger I am to show up at a lawyer's crib; but it's got to be done, and then perhaps I shall see daylight.

And the dirty shabby creature shambling down the wretched stairs, and after tramping miles, entered a public house for his mid day meal of bread and cheese, poring over the day's paper meantime. The first thing that caught his eye was the now familiar advertisement of Messrs. Cadican & Cooper. But a little farther down came another more remarkable.

WANTED—The address of David Callagan, to be forwarded to the son of Thomas Hurst Seaton.

And the address given was the Dower House, Monk Hampton, Oldshire.

The man's whole countenance changed and he clenched the grimy hand lying on the table.

I'll go there fust, and see what this here means! he said excitedly. But I'll not disgrace meself before Tom's son, as he calls hisself—not if I knows it!

So, paying for his bread and cheese, he asked if the barmaid could tell him whereabouts Monk Hampton was, and what station he must go from.

It's on the Midland Railway, was the reply—and the barmaid tossed her head as she spoke—and you must book from Euston. But, if you've the price of a ticket in your pocket, I'd advise you to have a wash first. They wants a fourth-class for sich as you!

That's jest wot I'm agoin' to do, me lass, said the man, leaning towards her on the counter; so you needn't toss yer pretty head at me. And, as I've jest worked me passage over from the Cape and don't know me way about, I guess you'll tell me where to get a wash.

Well, I don't mind if I do! was the mollified answer. There's baths and wash houses in Anchor street yonder. I wish you'd better clothes to put on after!

Good mornin', me lass, and thank 'ee! the man replied; and off he tramped again.

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Betty had more than crept back into the heart of her patient. The "little rift within the lute" had brought them nearer together by the very bitterness of their temporary separation.

I am afraid of you because you're a great lady and I am nothing, Mrs. Seaton said faintly when the girl stole back to her side. I ought never to have come here—never!

But for all answer Betty, with sweet words and gentle touch, stooped and kissed her, and the poor aching heart found rest once again and clung all the more fondly to the girl's cheering presence; so that, when Sir Jasper felt obliged to return to Hilary Manor, it was only on the promise of a speedy return that Betty could tear herself away at all.

Mrs. Seaton did not gain strength, and could only lie on the couch in her dressing-room, gazing with wondering eyes at the luxury around her, and sometimes letting the tears fall unheeded from her eyes as thought and memory again exerted their power.

Dearest mother, said Tom, as in the sweet autumn evening he sat by her side near a bright glowing fire and whilst the lamps were yet unlit, I'm afraid you'll never get strong shut up in these rooms. I wish you would let me carry you downstairs to-morrow into what we call the "Paradise" room. You could see the gardens better there, and it would be a change for you, dear.

Why do you call it the "Paradise" room? the mother asked sadly. It all seems so strange to me!

It's only an old fashion, the calling of rooms by different names, said Tom, smiling down at her; and, mother, it's all as strange to me as to you. I'm afraid I shall never get used to it, after all.

And Erndale, faltered the invalid faintly—they tell me that would be larger, grander far?

It is not likely I shall ever get it, mother dear, her son replied gently. My father failed, and why should I succeed? Besides, there is no proof that the child who disappeared is dead; and, even if he were, there is only one chance of proving my claim.

And that chance is—what? said Mrs. Seaton in a voice scarcely audible.

That chance rests on the testimony of a man my father used to know, Tom answered; and we are advertising for him both here and in the African papers. Very likely it is all of no use; the man may have died years ago for anything we know to the contrary.

Mrs. Seaton lay back white and breathless, but in the dim light Tom could not see her distress, and a long pause ensued. It was broken at length by the entrance of the nurse with tea. The woman lit the lamps; and Tom, seeing how ill his mother looked, thought he had tired her by talking too much, and went down to smoke a solitary pipe on the terrace.

From the terrace he wandered on across the lawn to the drive, which wound through the trees to a gate in the demesne; and, as he sauntered on slowly, he became conscious that a common-looking man was advancing to meet him.

Poor chap! I suppose he is coming to beg, said the kindly owner of the Dower House, thrusting his hands into his pockets for some loose coins. I know too well what it is to be hard up to turn a deaf ear to other men's troubles.

But the man, who had by this time come up, did not attempt to beg.

Does Mr. Thomas Seaton live here? he said, trying to peer into Tom's face in the dark shadows of the trees. I'm comed a longish way, and I'd like to see him if I could.

I am Thomas Seaton. Can I do anything for you, my man? was the good-natured answered.

Did you put this in the paper? the fellow said, holding out Tom's advertisement with hands that shook in spite of himself. If so be ye did, I'm the man you want to see—David Callagan—and, if ye'll let me sit down a bit, I'll prove it to ye if ye like.

Tom started visibly.

If you are my father's old acquaintance, David Callagan, he said kindly, you're welcome to his son. Come up to the house. I am very glad to see you.

The man's hard face softened, and he drew the sleeve of his coat across his eyes.

If another had spoke to me like that, maybe I shouldn't have been here to-night, he muttered to himself.

But Tom strode on, not hearing what he said, and, taking a short cut across the lawn, he entered the window of his own particular den, the man following him slowly, and drawing a letter from his breast, which he held out as Tom turned up the lamp. Then, as the light shone full on Tom's face, the stranger staggered and clutched wildly at the table.

I'm a bit faintish-like, he said, with a catch in his rough voice which touched Tom's kind heart.

Tom pushed a chair hastily towards him, and he sank down heavily into it, gazing still with dim blood-shot eyes at the young man's face.

Don't hurry yourself, advised Tom gently, pouring out some brandy and filling up the glass with water. Drink this, and you'll be better able to talk afterwards; and, ringing the bell as he spoke, Tom went into the hall and ordered meat and ale to be taken to his strange visitor. The man was clean and poorly but neatly dressed. Evidently however he had not tasted food for hours, for he ate voraciously.

I come to you instead of the lawyer-chaps Seaton telled me of in that letter—pointing to the one he had handed to Tom, and which was lying on the table. But it's little need of me ye have if this fine place is yours.

This fine place is mine, said Tom, smiling, just because I was lucky at Kimberley and made money. But it's about Erndale your help is wanted, and I heard your name for the first time not many days ago in the office of the lawyers you refer to.

Ay, said Callagan slowly, Thomas Seaton and I dropped each other more than fifteen years ago, and you letter, written not long afore his death, is the only word I ever got from him since. He didn't use me fair, and I didn't expect any son of his 'ud use me fair neither. But I have my doubts about many things, and that's what brought me here instead of goin' to them chaps in Lincoln's Inn. D'ye mind if I ask ye a question or two fust, or will it anger ye?

Ask me what you like, answered Tom kindly; but I may as well tell you that I knew nothing about my father's claim to Erndale till I saw the lawyers whose advertisement you have there. They have had, it seems, all my father's papers for years; and what they want you for is to certify to my certificate of birth and to the fact of my being my father's son.

I witnessed a register of birth fifteen years ago, said Callagan, looking up at Tom's face, and it was the register of Thomas Seaton's son's birth. But you are older than that, and you're no more like his son than chalk is like cheese.

No, laughed Tom. It seems I am more like the Erndale family.

The last time I seed ye, said Callagan—and his voice took a curious note of trouble and doubt—ye wur in Cape Town. Thomas Seaton wur up country—he went under the name of Archer then—and he tells me ye'd died o' fever; and I'd a mind to see and judge for meself, and so I made pretence to go further up country, but made for Cape Town instead, and sure enough I see ye with yer mother, and knew it wur the babe who died and not you. Is yer mother alive still? he burst out passionately. She wur a poor thing, and not likely to make old bones. But, if I could see her once more, it might straighten things out a bit, for she wasn't like Thomas. She'd a feelin' heart.

The man was terribly in earnest. He clutched the arms of his chair convulsively, and a sudden gleam came into his eyes which seemed born of some inward light which had just dawned on his intelligence. Tom felt and looked surprised.

My mother is here with me, he said in his frank straightforward way; but she has been ill since her arrival, and is still very weak. However, I think she would be pleased to see you, as indeed I am myself.

Callagan glanced at Tom, and muttered something to himself.

It's lateish now, he said presently. Would she see me, d'ye think, or shall I come again to-morrer mornin'?

It is too late to disturb my mother to-night, said Tom decidedly; and, as for coming again in the morning, of course you'll stay here, and I'll prepare her to see you early to-morrow.

By yer leave, Mr. Seaton, the man said, with a kind of rough gratitude that became him well, I'll get a bed in the village. You're on a higher rung of the ladder than David Callagan, and I don't want to bring no disgrace on yer father's son.

Then, as Tom, relieved in spite of himself, put his hand into his pocket with kindly forethought, his strange visitor said quickly—

I've enough and to spare for bed and breakfast, thankee all the same. Arter to-morrer, maybe you won't feel so inclined to help me. However, I'll come up, no fear, and p'r'aps the turn I'm a-goin' to do ye may be a better one than you think. Yours is the fust kind voice I've heard for many a long year. Heaven bless ye for it' and good night!

CHAPTER VI

Late though it was, Tom rode down to the Manor House that same night, for Sir Jasper kept late hours when he was free from gout, and the young man knew he was always welcome. As the ring of his horse's hoofs was heard without, the Baronet looked up from the game of chess he was playing with Betty, and said joyfully—

I believe that's Seaton coming to wake us up a bit! Hallo, my dear boy!—as Tom under Jennifer's wing entered somewhat hastily. What good wind has blown you over to cheer us up to-night?

Tom held Betty's little fingers for just a moment longer than politeness demanded, and then Sir Jasper shook him heartily by the hand and bade him take a seat.

You don't look as bright as usual, my boy, he said, as Tom took the chair he offered. Has anything happened to upset you? Man is born to trouble, you know.

The man we advertised for called upon me to-night, was Tom's slow reply, and he wants to see my mother. He's troubled about something, but I can't make out what it is, and he's coming up in the morning to see her. It would be a great comfort, Sir Jasper, if Miss Hilary and

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changeful face as she spoke, and, as she looked up, impelled by the magnetism of his gaze, the expression in his eyes held her spell-bound.

Unseen by Sir Jasper, she slipped from the room a few moments later, and Tom, deaf to the Baronet's entreaties that he would stop and join him in the smoking-room, galloped back to the Dower House full of dreams and fancies that set sleep at defiance.

It was Tom's custom every morning to see his mother immediately after his own early breakfast before he made any plans for the coming day, so that it did not alarm her when he came in as usual and sat with her whilst the nurse went downstairs. After a few minutes' conversation on ordinary matters, Tom approached with no little uneasiness the subject of the past night's visitor.

A man came to see me last night, mother, he began, with apparent carelessness, who knew my father long ago. Do you remember his name—David Callagan?

Every vestige of color faded from Mrs. Seaton's face, and she held up her hands as if to ward off an impending blow.

He spoke very kindly of you, mother, went on Tom desperately, and would like to see you, if you feel strong enough. There's nothing to frighten you, dearest little mother, he went on, putting his arm around her. Do you think I would let any one worry or distress you?

But Mrs. Seaton lay back white and trembling, her breath coming in gasps and her hands clenched in agony. When at last she spoke, it was in a whisper.

There is no escape, she said faintly. I will see David Callagan. Yes—I will see him!

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‖ Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday.

"c" Regular stop to receive passengers.

"f" Stops only on notice to conductor or agent or on signal.

"g" Connects at Delmar with New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Ry.

"h" Stops to let off passengers from points north of Wilmington and from points on Maryland Division via Porter.

"i" Connects at Harrington for and from stations on Del., Md., & Vir. R. R.

"j" Stops to take on passengers for Cape Charles and beyond.

"k" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington and points north, or take passengers for points south of Delmar.

"l" Connects at Townsend for and from stations on Baltimore & Delaware Bay Ry.

"m" Connects at Porter for Delaware City.

"n" Connects at Porter with Newark & Delaware City Railroad.

"o" Connects at Harrington for stations on D M & V R R

"p" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.

"r" Stops to leave passengers from New York Division.

"t" Connects at Seaford for and from all stations on Cambridge & Seaford R R

"u" Connects at Townsend for and from all stations on the Queen Anne & Kent Railroad.

"v" Connects at Harrington from stations between Lewes and Harrington.

"x" Connects at Clayton for and from all stations on Delaware & Chesapeake Ry.

"w" Connects at Delmer with New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad to and from all points between Delmar and Pocomoke.

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Leave Harrington for Rehoboth 10 36 a m Returning, leave Rehoboth 1 13 p m, Tuesday Thursday and Saturdays

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QUEEN ANNE & KENT R. R.—Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9 30 a. m., and 4.47 p. m., week days Returning, leave Centreville 7.46 a. m., and 2.33 p. m., week-days.

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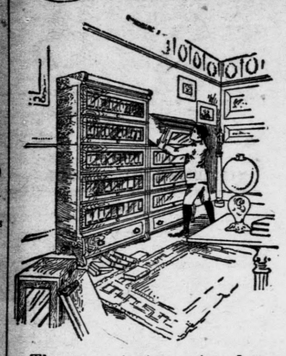

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